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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I use and want to continue to use a competitive internet/phone provider. I have had service with both AT&T and Comcast, and found them to be difficult to deal with, unresponsive to customer problems and prone to price gouging once customers are on board.

Broadband competition is good for consumers and small businesses, and keeps the big players honest. Local providers provide a much needed check on the oligopoly of the two big internet/phone providers.

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